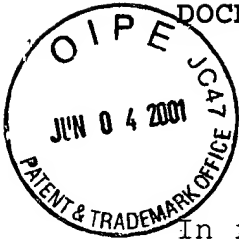


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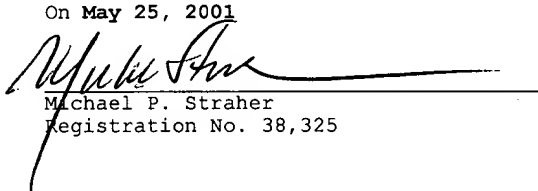
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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2000, received from the Examiner in charge of the above-captioned application, a request for a three month extension of time and appropriate payment being enclosed herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered, without prejudice:

The first paragraph of the specification has been amended as follows: